Housing Board for Delhi

†232. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that it has been suggested to constitute a housing board for Delhi for solving the housing problem in Delhi;

(b) if so, the action taken in this regard;

(c) whether Government are contemplating on making any other alternative arrangement for poor and middle income groups in Delhi; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) The Tejendra Khanna Committee of Experts set up by this Ministry had in its report suggested that current housing activities of DDA could be hived off into a public sector Housing Corporation or Board. The Government has initiated inter-departmental consultation on the said suggestion.

(c) and (d) Draft Master Plan for Delhi 2021 in respect of which a public notice was issued by DDA with the approval of the Central Government on 16.4.2005 envisages a housing strategy in which future requirement of shelter provision will be dominated by small dwelling units. The strategy also indicates a mix of public, private and co-operative sector efforts in creating housing stock in Delhi.

Regularization of unauthorised colonies

†233. SHRI MAHENDRA SAHNI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are making delay in the process of regularizing unauthorized colonies in metro cities in the country including Delhi;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when the said colonies would be regularized?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN

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